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1. SUMMARY: INTERVIEW OF ACTING PRESIDENT KYPRIANOU BY AGENCE FRANCE PRESS AND ACTION PLAN OF INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF SOLIDARITY WITH CYPRUS PROVIDE FURTHER EVIDENCE THAT KYPRIANOU INTENDS TO PURSUE INTERNATIONALIZATION AS ONE OF HIS LINES OF APPROACH TO CYPRUS PROBLEMS. END SUMMARY.

2. FULL TEXT OF AUG 20 INTERVIEW OF ACTING PRESIDENT

KYPRIANOU BY AFP, PRINTED IN AUG 26 GOC BULLETIN, FURTHER CONFIRMS KYPRIANOU'S INTENTION OF PURSUING INTERNATIONALIZATION AS ONE OF COURSES TOWARD SOLUTION OF CYPRUS PROBLEM. PERTINENT EXTRACTS OF KYPRIANOU'S INTERVIEW FOLLOW:

- --"OUR TARGET IS TO KEEP OUR PROBLEM ALWAYS IN THE FOCUS OF INTERNATIONAL ATTENTION AND TO SECURE...MAXIMUM PRESSURE ON TURKEY."
- --"WE BELIEVE THAT THE WEST, THE EAST AND THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES, BUT MAINLY THE BIG POWERS, CAN PLAY A SERIOUS ROLE IN THIS DIRECTION."
- --"AS ALREADY ANNOUNCED, DURING THE DISCUSSION OF OUR RECOURSE AT THE UNITED NATIONS WE SHALL ASK...FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE U.N. RESOLUTIONS..."
- --"THE CYPRUS GOVERNMENT HAS ACCEPTED AND SUPPORTS THE PROPOSAL OF THE SOVIET UNION FOR AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CYPRUS. WE DO NOT OVERLOOK THE DIFFICULTIES IN THIS CONNECTION, BUT THE EXPLORATION OF THE POSSIBILITIES FOR SUCH A CONFERENCE WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE UNITED NATIONS WILL BE CONTINUED." --"WE ACCEPT INITIATIVES FROM ANY QUARTER, PROVIDED THAT THEY DO NOT SUBSTITUTE BUT HELP AND STRENGTHEN THE ROLE AND EFFORTS OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE SECRETARY-GENERAL. ANY NEW AMERICAN INITIATIVE WITHIN THIS FRAMEWORK IS WELCOME."
- 3. OTHER EVIDENCE OF GOC'S INTENTIONS ON INTERNALIZATION APPEARED IN GOC BULLETIN PREVIOUS WEEK, WHICH ANNOUNCED CONFIDENTIAL.

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THAT THE EXECUTIVE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF SOLIDARITY WITH CYPRUS, AN OFFSHOOT OF THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL (CHAIRMAN OF SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE IS REMESH CHANDRA, SYG OF WPC), HAD DECIDED IN JULY MEETING IN NICOSIA TO CONVENE AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN BRUSSELS FROM OCTOBER 29 TO 31, 1977. AMONG OTHER ITEMS SUGGESTED BY THE EXECUTIVE FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE OCTOBER CONFERENCE WAS "TO MOBILIZE SUPPORT FOR THE CALLING BY THE U.N. OF AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CYPRUS."

4. COMMENT: KYPRIANOU'S INTERVIEW TOOK PLACE DAY AFTER AMBASSADOR'S CONVERSATION (REF A) WITH HIM IN WHICH KYPRIANOU, IN ADDITION TO REAFFIRMING GOC'S PRIMARY RELIANCE ON COOPERATION WITH U.S., ALSO STATED THAT COURSE OF INTERNATIONALIZATION WULD BE PURSUED IN SEARCH FOR SOLUTION TO CYPRUS PROBLEM. HIS STATEMENT IN AFP INTERVIEW THAT GOC HAS ACCEPTED SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IS HIS MOST DIRECT PUBLIC REFERENCE TO THIS POLICY SINCE HE BECAME ACTING PRESIDENT. ACTION BY GOC-BLESSED AND LEFT-DOMINATED CYPRUS SOLIDARITY CONFERENCE UNDERLINES THIS ASPECT OF GOC POLICY.

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